GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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NHRC REPORT ON SAFETY AND SECURITY OF YOUTH
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any report from the National Human Rights Commission with regard to increase in crimes against children below 18 years of age;

(b) if so,the details and the reaction of the Government in this regard;and

(c) the action proposed to be taken to create a safe environment for children?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a)& (b): National Human Rights Commission has submitted a report on Missing Children and a study on Human Trafficking with special focus on women and children which inter-alia,states that there is increase in number of crimes against children in the country.As per data compiled by National Crime Records Bureau,Year-wise number of cases registered for crimes against children is as under:

Year	No. of cases
2004	14423
2005	14975
2006	18967
2007	20410

(c): Law and Order is a State subject.It is for State Governments to take appropriate action in every crime.However,the report of the NHRC has been circulated to all State Governments and Union Territories for taking action on the recommendations made by NHRC in its Report.However, Ministry of Women & Child Development is considering a comprehensive legislation to cover the offences against children to create a safe environment for children.